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DINNER TO THE FRESHMEN.

At the Union; Followed by a Rush Between the Freshmen and Sophomores.

The first Freshman Dinner of the year was held last Saturday evening at the Tech Union under the auspices of THE TECH. There were 143 present.

E. E. Whitney was toastmaster, and introduced the speakers with some very interesting remarks.

Dean Burton spoke first, and gave to 1910, the welcome of the Faculty. Alexander Macomber, the first speaker, gave a short history of the Show, and appealed to the men to come out. Phelps N. Swett spoke shortly on the musical organization. The new head of Course 6, Prof. Dugald C. Jackson, was then introduced, and welcomed heartily. He compared the western and eastern college spirit, and said he was about to become a Tech man. Harry A. Rapelye gave a few words on the *Technique*. He told of the uniqueness of the publication, and its high standard among college annals. The Bursar then told a few of his inimitable stories, which were relished by the hearers as they always are. John S. Tobin '06 gave the freshmen a talking to about the poor showing they made at their first football practice. He made a strong appeal for the track team. After singing a few songs, the Freshmen formed in line two abreast and marched towards Rogers.

In an alley-way just above Copley Square, a band of about fifty sophomores awaited them. As the close-formed mass of freshmen passed, the sophomores in a flying wedge, charged, and a fierce melee resulted. Sophomores and freshmen paired off at different points in the street, with the juniors helping in the fray. The freshmen reformed at the corner of the Public Library, and the sophomores lined up on Blagdon street. After a little skirmishing, the freshmen, linked arms, bore down on the small body of sophs. The latter, overwhelmed by numbers, were forced to retreat to Exeter street. The two masses became intermingled in front of the Hotel Lenox, and the street became the scene of vicious fighting. The hotel steps were crowded with spectators from the interior, members of the B. A. A. crowded to the windows, and an outside crowd gathered from all points.

It was at this point that Scharff, president of the sophomore class was captured, and carried to Boylston street by the now jubilant freshmen. It took the efforts of a dozen men to hold Scharff, and he was badly handled in his struggles. His captivity was short lived however. Seven of the more daring members of the sophomore class, formed a small wedge, charged into the compact body of freshmen, and released Scharff. After several more individual encounters, the sophomores dispersed and disappeared.

At the time of going to press, the body of cheering freshmen were headed for Rogers steps with a few sophomores in captivity. It was noticeable throughout the encounter that not a policeman was seen.

SOPHOMORE MEETING.

Much Enthusiasm Shown in Arrangements for Field Day.

The Sophomores began active preparations for Field Day at a lively meeting held in Huntington Hall during the lunch hour Friday. The large number in attendance and enthusiasm shown bids fair to bring 1909 success. President Scharff, after disposing of an amendment to the constitution providing for an auditing committee of five men, spoke to the men about coming out for the Field Day events. Manager Whitaker of the relay team was re-elected by acclamation, and Eaton was elected manager of the football team. The latter announced that practice is to be held daily at Tech Field and two elevens are wanted. Scharff was urged to accept the nomination for manager of the tug-of-war team again for this year but declined, and Bundy was elected. All candidates for this team will report today at 4 o'clock at the gym. Attendance of men at practice for the teams will be kept this year and regular attendance will be counted in selecting the men. The meeting closed with a round of cheers for 1909.

TENNIS ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The Technology Tennis Association held its first meeting in 11 Rogers last Friday. Ex-President J. I. B. Larned called the meeting to order and acted as chairman. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: P. R. Fanning, President; J. S. Nicholl, Vice President, and C. W. Coffin, Manager.

Mr. Coffin then said a few words for the benefit of those unfamiliar with the work of the Tennis team. He said the Fall Tournament would take place in the near future and that all entries for this Tournament must be in by next Thursday night. Single entries are 50 cents and double 75 cents. It is imperative this year that the money accompany the entry, or the latter will not be honored. Last year a number of delinquents caused considerable trouble, as their names had to be dropped from the lists after the drawings had been made.

The Harvard courts at Jarvis Field may be used by Tech students this year, the charge for playing being 20 cents an hour. There are also two tennis courts at Tech Field in Brookline. These, however, are not in as good condition as the Jarvis Field courts.

Mr. Coffin spoke particularly of the chances for new men to make good this year. Three of the men who will probably play on this year's team, Larned, Coffin and Nicholl, are Seniors, so that next year there will be a good opportunity for anyone who shows ability this fall and next spring.

Attention was called to the fact that the showing of the men this fall will be the basis on which the team for the N. E. I. Tennis Association will be chosen, hence the necessity of coming out this fall, as there will be neither time nor opportunity next spring.

RECEPTION TO FRESHMEN.

The Annual Welcome at the Union by the Y. M. C. A.

The Freshman Class, or at least a large portion of it, met for the first time socially Friday evening at the reception given to them by the Young Men's Christian Association. A large quota from the 1910 class was present, as were a number of the more prominent upperclass men. Ample time was allowed before the speaking for the men to become acquainted.

T. C. Keeling, '08, president of the Association, introduced the speakers after a few welcoming remarks. Dean Burton was the first speaker, and was welcomed heartily. He told the new men that they would find the members of the Faculty much more agreeable outside the class room than within. He also told them to visit their advisers. There seemed to be a feeling among the men that the advisers were to be dreaded, and that in a few days after the opening of the school term, the men no longer visited the professors assigned to them. This was making the advisers a dead letter, and was preventing the Faculty from becoming acquainted with the wants of the new men. The Dean then gave a short explanatory history of the Institute, and spoke of the names that ought to be dear to the heart of every Tech man. He said that Tech was a pioneer school in the new form of education that dealt with the serious problems of life immediately after the high school. Tech was not only unique in the educational lines, but was also unique in its treatment of the athletic problem. Reforms have been started in athletics at the Institute that have been copied by many other colleges with success. He gave promise that the Faculty would treat all students as men, and to show their sympathy in the student activities, he announced that the Faculty had voted to give the school a half holiday on Friday, November 16, for the Field Day contests. This holiday was given so that the alumni, Faculty, and students living out of town could witness the struggle and that there would be no counter attraction across the river at the Stadium.

A. H. Donnewald, in speaking on THE TECH publications, told of the high standing that they had in the college world. He advised every man to interest himself in either THE TECH or *Technique*, and said that the work on the first was preparation for the second.

P. N. Swett gave the reasons why a man should take up work with the musical clubs. He spoke of the good times that the clubs had on their trips, and the wide acquaintance that could be got in this branch of student life.

Lawrence Allen then gave a short summary of all the branches in athletics at the Institute. With this large assortment to offer, he begged every man to try, and the best time for trying was in the Freshman year. Later than that year, it would be hard for a man to enter any branch of athletics. That a man had never done any work of

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CALENDAR.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1.

4.00 P.M. THE TECH Board Meets in 30 Rogers.

4.00 P.M. Sophomore Football Practice begins at the Tech Field.

4.00 P.M. Freshman Track Team Candidates report at the Field.

5.00 P.M. Freshman Tug-of-War Candidates Meet at the Gym.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3.

4.00 P.M. *Technique '08* Meets in the Trophy Room.

8.00 P.M. Catholic Club Meets at the Tech Union.

FACULTY NOTICES.

Fourth Year.—Constructive Design has been changed from 11-12 Tuesday to 10-11 Thursday.

Third Year Option in General Studies.—The English Bible. Mr. Seaver. Mondays at 10; and a second hour at the convenience of the class. First meeting today at ten o'clock in 12 Rogers.

NOTICES.

1909 Football.—All 1909 football candidates will report at Tech Field this afternoon at 4 P.M.

Technique 1908.—There will be a meeting of the Board, Wednesday at 4 P.M. in the Trophy Room.

Freshman Track Team.—The candidates for the Freshman Track Team please report today at Tech Field in running suit. Twelve men will be wanted for the relay race so there is a fine chance to make the team.

Election Committee.—The Senior Election Committee, consisting of Wonson, Allen, Whitney, Packard and Frank, will meet in Rogers Library today at 1 P.M.

Catholic Club.—The first meeting of the Technology Catholic Club will be held at the Union on Garrison Street at 8 P.M. Wednesday, Oct. 3. Old members please bring friends. All welcome.

Gymnasium.—All students intending to take regular class work at the Gymnasium are requested to make an appointment with the Instructor for a physical examination as soon as possible. Hours 4 to 6 daily. W. C. Towne, Instructor in Gymnastics.

Tug-of-War Team.—All candidates for the 1910 Tug-of-War Team should meet at the Gym (back of Mass. College of Pharmacy, corner of Garrison and St. Botolph Streets), today at 5 P.M. sharp. Show your spirit and have fifty men out on the first day. If you have never entered athletics it is all the more reason you should come out for the team.

The largest casting ever made in the United States has recently been completed by the Bethlehem Steel Co.; it is the frame for a 17½ ft. gap, hydraulic riveter for the Lehigh Valley Railroad shops at Sayre, Pa. It is designed for a maximum pressure of 150 tons per sq. in. A special car was required to transport the machine.

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Athletics.

Within the last few days the Freshmen and Sophomore Football Teams, the Cross Country Association, and the Tennis Association have started work. The Track Team follows in a few days, together with the Class Tug-of-War Teams. Many men come to the Institute with the determination to let athletics alone; they have failed their entrance examinations owing to too much activity in football or baseball at preparatory school, or they have heard stories of how terribly hard the work at the Institute is and feel that they should devote every minute to their studies. This is a mistake too often made and instead of not playing football, or tennis, and not running, the new men should take an active interest in the teams. The times of practice are arranged at convenient hours and instead of causing a neglect of the regular work, the out-door exercise adds greatly to the necessary store of energy. If a man finds that football tires him too much for study in the evening, there still remains for him the cross country runs, or tennis, and the tug-of-war. Besides the exercise, merely being interested in something is beneficial. A man won't become a grind as long as he has some interest outside of his studies, to work for and to think about. Therefore the Freshman should either try for a team or at least turn out and heartily support his class by showing plenty of interest and enthusiasm at the games.

If it is true that "wealth has wings,"
As some folks say,
We wonder why it does not fly
Sometimes Tech's way.

The 11-year-old Tufts freshman is undoubtedly entitled to the prize for the academic baby.

NEW RULES AT SYRACUSE.

Apropos of the recent rule regarding smoking, drinking, etc., that has caused so much consternation and comment among the undergraduates at Syracuse, the following editorial cannot but be of interest to those who are interested in the case:

"Whatever else may be said of Syracuse University, it can hardly be maintained that it is bidding for popularity. Last year it expelled from the dormitories all bulldogs that were rooming with its pupils. This year it has thus early served notice that hereafter no free scholarships will be given to students who use tobacco or attend the theatre or frequent drinking places or pool rooms.

"There may be reason in all this and some observers are commending the seat of learning mentioned for its 'high moral stand,' but at a distance it looks as if it might be rather discouraging to impecunious, but spirited and sensitive young men. It is this disposition to emphasize poverty, to point at it and render it conspicuous, that makes poverty unpopular and is responsible, in a measure at least, for persons like Mr. Rockefeller and the late Russell Sage. The Syracuse undergraduate who does not smoke will be immediately branded as an undergraduate who cannot afford to smoke; he is constantly brought face to face with the line that separates him from the son of the rich father. It might be urged, perhaps, that if the impecunious student is not willing to forego luxuries he should not accept financial assistance; but by many tobacco is regarded as a necessary; and if that view of the weed is correct, why not go a step further and cut off butter from bread and molasses from cakes? Thousands would rather go without butter and molasses than be deprived of tobacco—at least some butter and some molasses."

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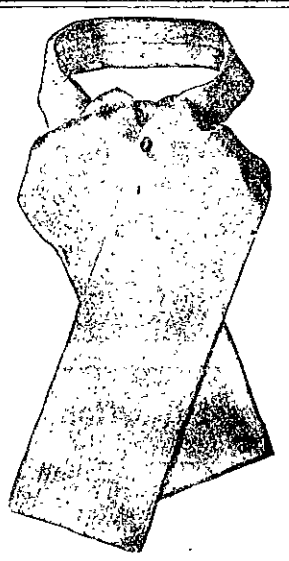

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that sort before was no drawback, as oftentimes it was the green man that made the best college athlete.

The Rev. A. A. Stockdale, of Berkeley Temple, welcomed the new men on behalf of the Boston Churches. He was glad that the men had the opportunity to live in this town of blue blood, culture, and baked beans. There was not a place on the continent like Boston in which to study, grow, and become cultured.

Don S. Gates, the college secretary for the Association, closed the speaking with a few remarks on the plans for the year. He invited the men to the Thursday noon meetings, and spoke of the various classes that are to be formed.

Light refreshments were served after the speaking, and the gathering broke up after a few songs.

GROWTH OF DARTMOUTH.

The opening of Dartmouth for its 137th year, Thursday morning was marked by conditions unique among American colleges. Enrolment in the different classes, though not fully complete, will exceed the last previous enrolment of the college by at least 150. Without regarding the graduate students or those in the associated schools, the numbers for the college are as follows: Seniors, 120; Juniors, 205; Sophomores, 300; Freshmen, 350; making a total of 1045.

The growth is about a year ahead of the preparations which the college is making for its own increase.

GLEE CLUB TRIALS.

The Glee Club held their first trials last Saturday afternoon at the Tech Union. There were only fifteen men present, and the management urgently requested that a larger number of men come out. To arrange it so that no one can plead that they did not have an opportunity at the trials, any man can have a hearing before or after a rehearsal. The next rehearsal will be held at 4.15 next Friday afternoon at the Tech Union, and all the men that were for some reason or another kept away from the trials last Saturday should make it a point to be on hand then The regular times for the rehearsals this year will be Monday and Friday afternoons at the Union. It is imperative that all of the old members be out for the first rehearsal.

The Club this year has no pianist, and any man who would like to try for this position should report at the next rehearsal. Also any man who is a good whistler will have a chance this year to make the Glee Club. THE TECH will publish next Wednesday a list of the men who made the Club at the trials last Saturday.

J. L. Cooney '07, has been elected captain of the Princeton base ball team for 1907. He prepared at the Phillips-Exeter Academy and has played on the University team for the past three years, filling the position of catcher.

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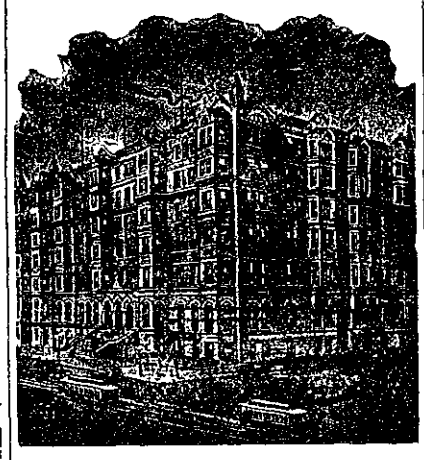

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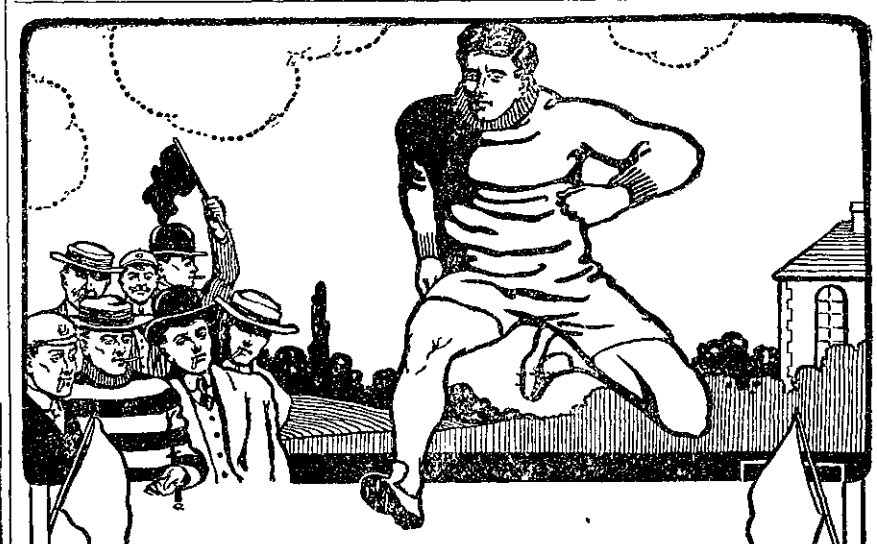

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